Philadelphia January 31st 1855

To the Vestry, Church Wardens & Sundays of Christ Church
in the City of Philadelphia

Gentlemen

I much regret my
inability to give my time to the pecuniary duties
of the Office as one of the Managers of Christ
Church Hospital, & respectfully ask, you
to accept my resignation of, and
elect some other Member of Christ in my place

Marcus Kimpton

Resignation of
Moses Kempton
as Manager of
Christ Church Hospital
31 Jany 1855

Note from Dr Dorr
relative to the Resolution
of Vestry on increase of
Salary -
dated 17th April 1855

Arch St. April 17th. 1855.

My Dear Sir,

Your very kind note is this day received, enclosing a resolution of Vestry, passed last evening by which my salary is increased $1400 per annum, from the 10th inst.

For this unexpected and liberal act, I beg you will present to them my most grateful acknowledgments.

I have no words adequately to express my feelings on account of the courtesy, kindness and generosity, which I have uniformly experienced from my Vestry, in our connexion of eighteen years.

Assure them of my continued esteem and regard; and believe me, as ever, Yours.

Edw. L. Clark Esq. Sec. of Vestry. B. Dorr.

A STATEMENT AND APPEAL

To Churches in the City of Philadelphia, and to benevolent Churchmen.

The Wardens of ST. THOMAS' AFRICAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH, pursuant to resolutions passed in vestry meeting, April 18th, 1855, that a statement and appeal be made to several Episcopal Churches in the city of Philadelphia, and to some individual Churchmen thereof, beg leave most respectfully to submit the following:

Our indebtedness at the present time is about *one thousand dollars.* This has been incurred by repairs on the church edifice and parsonage. The income of the church is about seven hundred dollars, while the expenses are over eight hundred. The sittings are at a rate suited to the limited circumstances of the people. The highest is only $2 50 per annum. The number of members is not much over three hundred; hence the revenue from this source has never been adequate of itself to meet the current expenses. Formerly our basement and burial ground availed us to a considerable extent: but halls and cemeteries for the accommodation of our people have greatly diminished this source. Revenue being thus decreased, we were compelled to diminish expenses. It is our desire now to increase our pastor's salary, which, we regret to say, has been reduced to the totally inadequate sum of three hundred and fifty dollars a year. But we cannot do this without aid. All our extra efforts for several years to come, must be directed towards liquidating the debt, and meeting the overplus of expenses. The aggregate sum now respectfully solicited from churches and individuals for a few years is only *four hundred dollars* annually. The fact that this church has never, within our recollection, been systematically aided by those who cannot but wish her prosperity, encourages the hope that our appeal will meet the cordial response desired.

JAMES NEEDHAM,
SCIPEO SEWELL, } *Wardens.*

Philadelphia, April, 1855.

The subscriber commends this application to the goodwill and liberality of all friends of the improvement of the African race, and especially to the Episcopalians of this city.

A. POTTER, *Bishop, &c.*

Philadelphia, April, 1855.

My The undersigned will call for an answer.

Wm Douglass

St. Thomas's African Episcopal Church
March 4 / 53

To
The Minister Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ's Church
Philadelphia

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By order of the Managers of Christ Church Hospital

To the Rector. Church Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church—

Gentlemen,

I have the honour to lay before you for your consideration the Plans & Estimates for the Proposed New Building for the Hospital at the Farm in Belmont.

Your obt. Servant

C. Campbell Cooper

On behalf of the Committee

Phil. Dec. 6. 1855